

In the claims:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently amended) An elevator comprising:
a drive moving an elevator cabin running in a self-supporting shaft scaffold and a counterweight in upward and downward directions in effective connection with one or more bending-flabby means guided over deflection sheaves,
wherein said ~~self-supporting~~ shaft scaffold is composed of:
vertical ~~girders formed by~~ segmental guide elements for said elevator cabin and ~~segmental guide elements for~~ said counterweight; and
horizontal ~~girders formed by~~ module-shaped mounting frames connected to said segmental guide elements,
said segmental guide elements serving both as vertical guideways for said elevator cabin and said counterweight and as support to said shaft scaffold.

2. (Previously amended) The elevator as defined in claim 1, wherein said drive is arranged within said self-supporting shaft scaffold and lifts and/or lowers the elevator cabin and said counterweight in said self-supporting shaft scaffold by said bending-flabby means guided over an arrangement of deflection sheaves and said drive is integrated into the arrangement of deflection sheaves as an element deflecting said bending-flabby means.

3. (Previously amended) The elevator as defined in claim 1, wherein said deflection sheaves are mounted in said mounting frames for lifting and lowering said elevator cabin and said counterweight.

4. (Previously amended) The elevator as defined in claim 1, wherein said mounting frames are made of squared sheets.

5. (Previously amended) The elevator as defined in claim 1, wherein said segmental guide elements are segmented into a plurality of segments, and said segments are engaged at a working face formed by a mechanism comprising a female member and a male member with a snug fit there between.

6. (Previously amended) The elevator as defined in claim 5, wherein said working face is disposed in the area of said mounting frames, each respective mounting frame serving as a connecting element for the respective segments of said guide elements.

7. (Previously amended) The elevator as defined in claim 1, wherein said drive consists of separately driven driving disks.

8. (Previously amended) The elevator as defined in claim 1, wherein at least two of said deflection sheaves are made rotate by a drive by a full floating axle or hollow shaft.

9. (Previously amended) The elevator as defined in claim 1, wherein said drive is formed with gear.

10. (Previously amended) The elevator as defined in claim 1, wherein said drive is arranged outside of said self-supporting shaft scaffold formed by said mounting frames and said segmental guide elements.

11. (Previously amended) The elevator as defined in claim 1, wherein said drive is arranged within said self-supporting shaft scaffold formed by said mounting frames and said segmental guide elements.

12. (Previously amended) The elevator as defined in claim 1, further comprising a regulated cable brake on at least one of said mounting frames, the regulated cable brake running in mesh with a brake disk fixed to said deflection sheaves arranged in said mounting frame.

13. (Previously amended) The elevator as defined in claim 1, further comprising an emergency brake coming into engagement with the cable sheave in case of failure of the axis of said deflection sheave arranged in said mounting frame, on at least one of said mounting frames.

14. (Previously amended) The elevator as defined in claim 1, wherein said drive is arranged on the level of a floor or underground floor exit of said self-supporting shaft scaffold.

15. (Previously amended) The elevator as defined in claim 1, wherein said drive is arranged in a shaft pit in front of said self-supporting shaft scaffold.

16. (Previously amended) The elevator as defined in claim 1, wherein said drive is arranged on said elevator cabin.

17. (Previously amended) The elevator as defined in claim 1, wherein said drive is arranged on said counterweight.

18. (Previously amended) The elevator as defined in claim 1, wherein said bending-flabby means is a flat belt or a cable.

19. (Previously amended) The elevator as defined in claim 1, wherein said drive is formed without gear.

20. (Previously amended) The elevator as defined in claim 1, wherein said drive is formed as a ring engine.

21. (Previously amended) The elevator as defined in claim 1, wherein said drive is formed as a disk engine.

22. (Cancelled)

23. (Previously amended) The elevator as defined in claim 1, wherein said drive is formed as a flat engine.